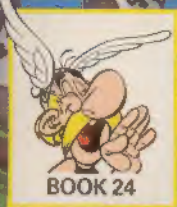


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BOOK 24

TEXT: GOSCINNY
DRAWINGS: UDERZO

Asterix

in CORSICA

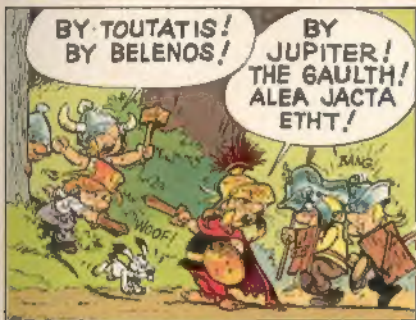


WATCH OUT!
HERE COMES THE
ROMAN PATROL!

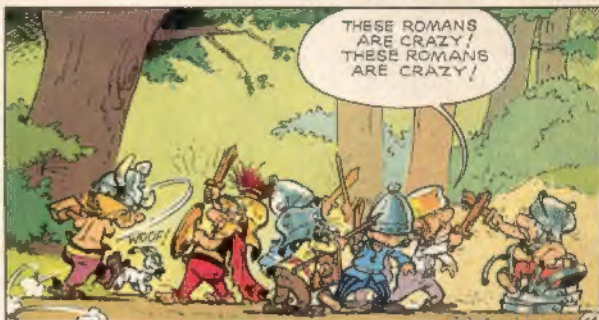


BY TOUTATIS!
BY BELENOS!

BY JUPITER!
THE GAULT!
ALEA JACTA
EST!



THESE ROMANS
ARE CRAZY!
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ARE CRAZY!

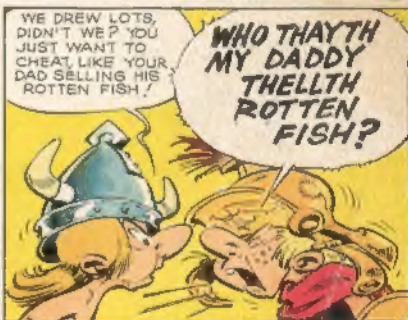


THITH ITH
TOO MUCH! WHY
ITH IT ALWAYS
UTH WHO HAVE
TO BE THE
ROMANTH?



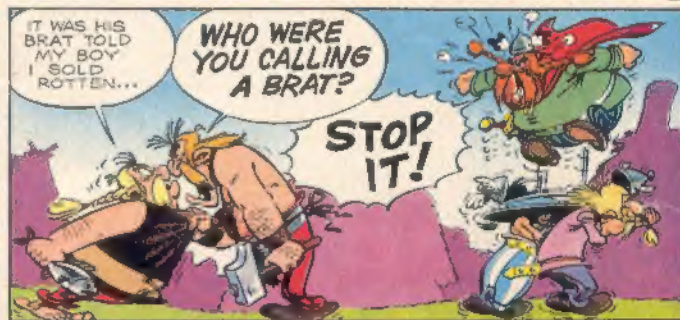
WE DREW LOTS,
DIDN'T WE? YOU
JUST WANT TO
CHEAT LIKE YOUR
DAD SELLING HIS
ROTTEN FISH!

WHO THAYTH
MY DADDY
THELLTH
ROTTEN
FISH?



GO AND
PLAY NICELY
SOMEWHERE
ELSE
CHILDREN!





IN THE FORTIFIED ROMAN
CAMP OF TOTORUM...

RIGHT!
EVERYONE
READY?



AND ABOUT TIME TOO!
FORWARD MARCH... AND
IN SILENCE, PLEASE.



I'M ON A MISSION,
CENTURION. WE'VE COME
A LONG WAY. I WANT
SHELTER FOR THE
NIGHT BEFORE
WE CONTINUE
OUR JOURNEY.

THE FACT
IS... WE
WERE JUST
GOING OUT.



HOW
MANY OF
YOU?
WHERE?

ER... ALL OF
US. GOING ON
MANOEUVRES
IN THE
HINTERLAND.



YOU MEAN
YOU'RE LEAVING
THE CAMP UN-
GUARDED?

ER...
SORT
OF...

ARE WE OFF,
CENTURION?

WHAT ARE
WE WAITING
FOR, BY
JUPITER?

IT'S
GETTING
ON!



WELL, I'M
AWFUL
GROSS AND
ALL THAT...
DROP US A
GLAD IN
ADVANCE
ANOTHER TIME.
AVE NERE
OFF.

**NO
ONE'S OFF
ANY-
WHERE!**



I AM ON A SPECIAL MISSION FROM PRAETOR
PERFIDILUS, GOVERNOR OF CORSICA, AND
I DEMAND AN EXPLANATION OF THIS
SUSPICIOUS HASTE!

LISTEN, CENTURION HIPPOPOTAMUS,
IF YOU DON'T MIND WE'LL GO ON
AHEAD AND YOU JOIN US LATER.
ALL RIGHT?

NO, IT IS NOT
ALL RIGHT!





HERE, COME INTO MY TENT...DON'T START WITHOUT ME, YOU LOT. THIS WON'T TAKE LONG.

TODAY IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF GERGOVIA. THE PEOPLE OF THE NEARBY GAULISH VILLAGE HAVE A WAY OF CELEBRATING THE OCCASION BY ATTACKING THE NEIGHBOURING ROMAN GARRISONS.



AND YOU DON'T ATTEMPT TO STOP THIS LOCAL CUSTOM?



WE CERTAINLY DO! WE STOP IT BY LEAVING CAMP AND GOING ON MANOEUVRES!

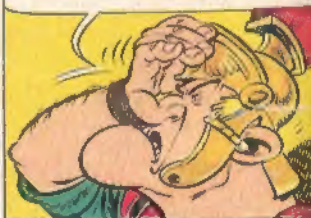


ARE YOU READY, CENTURION HIPPOPOTAMUS? THE BOYS ARE GETTING A BIT IMPATIENT, AND...

ARE THESE GAULS REALLY SO FEROCIOUS?



WELL, TOO BAD, I'M ESCORTING A COBBLER, EXILE, AND HE'S SPENDING THE NIGHT IN THIS CAMP. YOU AND YOUR GARRISON ARE RESPONSIBLE TO CAESAR FOR HIS SAFE KEEPING. I'LL BE BACK TO PICK HIM UP TOMORROW.



TOMORROW? WHERE ARE YOU GOING TODAY?

TO JOIN IN THE MANOEUVRES, OF COURSE!



BUT... BUT YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO US! THE GAULS WILL SLAUGHTER US! WHAT'S MORE, IF THEY SEE WE'VE GOT A PRISONER HERE, THEY'LL...

BRING THE EXILE ALONG!



AVE, CENTURION, AND DON'T FORGET, CAESAR WILL HOLD YOU RESPONSIBLE!

THE FIRST GUESTS ARE ARRIVING AT THE LITTLE GAULISH VILLAGE...



PETITSUIX!

I'VE BROUGHT YOU A HELVETIAN CHEESE.



HUEVOS Y BACON!

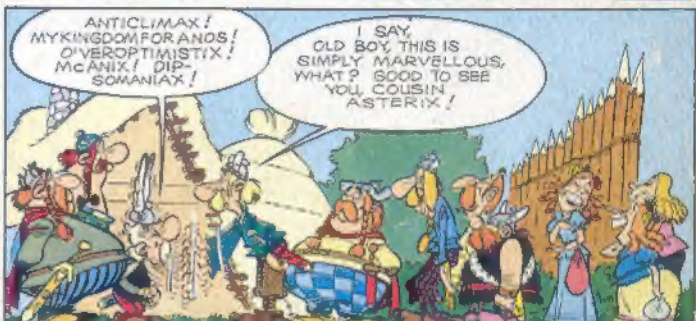
OLE, HOMBRÉS, OLE!

DOGMAIIX!



INSTANTMIX! YOU'VE COME ALL THE WAY FROM ROME!

I JUST HAD TO HEAR THE SOUND OF YOUR VOICE AGAIN!



ANTICLIMAX! MYKINGDOMFORANOS! O'VEROPTIMISTIX! MCANIX! DIP-SOMANIAX!

I SAY, OLD BOY THIS IS SIMPLY MARVELLOUS, WHAT? GOOD TO SEE YOU, COUSIN ASTERIX!



JELLIBABIX FROM LUDDUNUM! DRINKLIKAFIX FROM MAGGILIA! SENIORSERVIX FROM GESOCRIBATUM!



WINESANSPIRIX THE ARVERNIAN!

REMEMBER HOW WE DISLODGED CAESAR OUT OF THE CHIEF YAK'S SHIELD?



WHAT A PRETTY DRESS!

YES, IT'S MADE OF OUR OWN *LUDDUNUM SILK.



I'M ENJOYING BEING LIONISED LIKE THIS TOO.

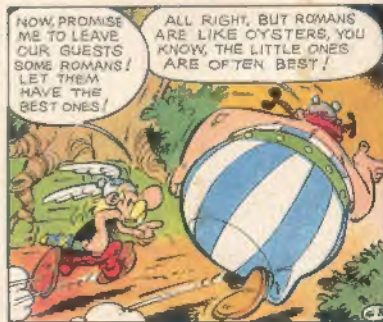
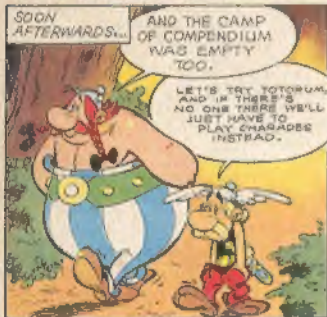
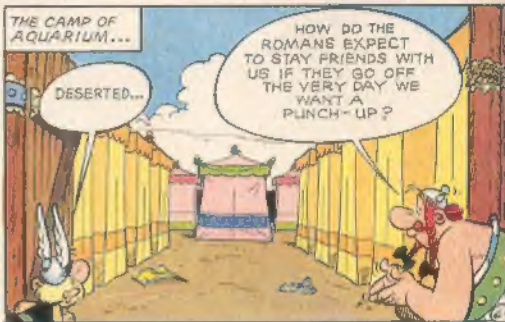
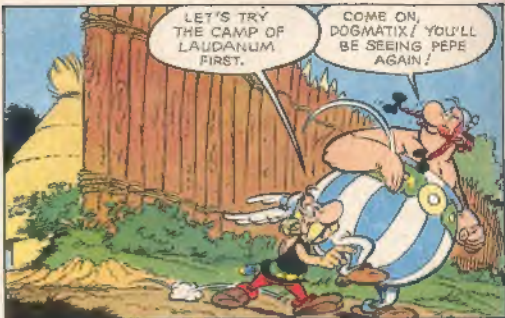
!HOMBRE! I USE OLIVE OIL FOR ALL MY COOKING!

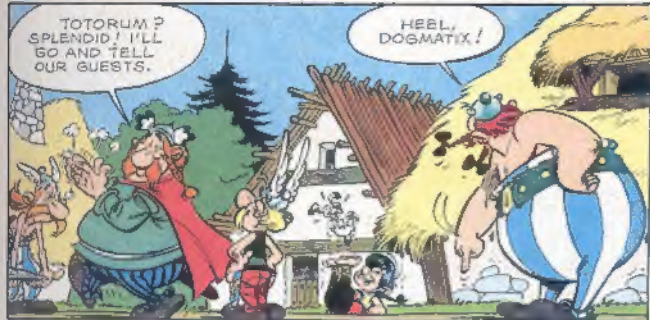
YOU DON'T SAY! FANCY THAT! I USE BOILING WATER. IT GIVES EVERYTHING A LOVELY FLAVOUR, DON'T YOU KNOW?

REMEMBER HOW WE BOWLED THOSE ROMANS OVER IN MAGGILIA?

HAHAHAHA!

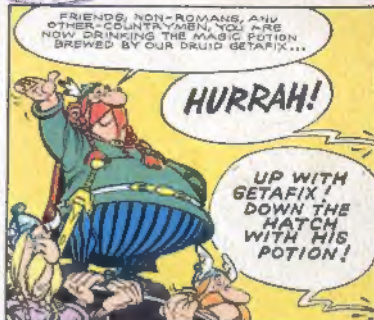
REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE EATING HOLES IN CHEESE IN THAT GENEVA BANK VAULT?





TOTORUM?
SPLENDID! I'LL
GO AND TELL
OUR GUESTS.

HEEL,
DOGMATIX!



FRIENDS, NON-ROMANS, AND
OTHER COUNTRYMEN, YOU ARE
NOW DRINKING THE MAGIC POTION
BREWED BY OUR DRUID GETAFIX...

HURRAH!

UP WITH
GETAFIX!
DOWN THE
HATCH
WITH HIS
POTION!



YOU'LL SOON NOTICE ITS EFFECTS.
WE'RE GOING TO ATTACK THE ROMAN
CAMP OF TOTORUM BEFORE
DINNER. A LITTLE PUNCH-
UP BY WAY OF AN
APERITIF.

PUNCH-
UP!

I'M PLEASED
AS
PUNCH!

THAT'S THE
TICKET!



TICKETY-BOO, EH?

TICKETY
WHAT?

THIS IS
WHAT MAKES US
TICK.



AND
PUNCHING
ROMANS!
THEY'RE
THE
TICKET!

NOT
A BAD
PUNCH
LINE.

AND DON'T
BE BACK TOO
LATE. ROMANS
CAN WAIT, BUT
ROAST BOAR
CAN'T.



DO YOU LIKE
OYSTERS? THE THING ABOUT
OYSTERS IS, THE LITTLE
ONDS ARE THE BEST!

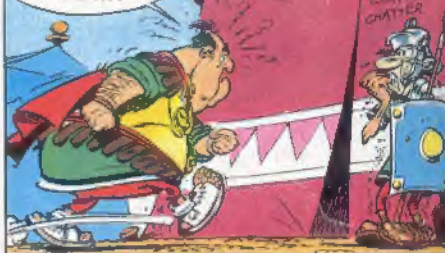
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AN ARMED VIGIL IS IN
PROGRESS AT
TOTORUM ...

...AND THERE'LL BE THE GREAT
BIG BRUTE, AND THE DREADFUL
LITTLE MIDGET, ALL STUFFED WITH
MAGIC POTION, AND THEY WON'T
LIKE IT WHEN THEY SEE WE'VE
GOT A PRISONER
EITHER...



OH NO, BY
JUPITER! THIS
IS TOO
MUCH!



LISTEN, I'M
GOING TO UNLOCK
YOUR CHAINS...



IF THEY RECAPTURE
YOU, YOU MUST
PROMISE TO SAY
YOU ESCAPED ON
YOUR OWN AND NO
ONE HELPED YOU...
DON'T ASK WHY
I'M DOING THIS
FOR YOU...



YOU CAN
GO! YOU'RE
FREE!



I SAID: YOU
CAN GO! YOU'RE
FREE!



LISTEN, WILL
YOU? YOU'RE FREE!
YOU CAN GO!



AFTER
MY
SIESTA.

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
AFTER YOUR
SIESTA?

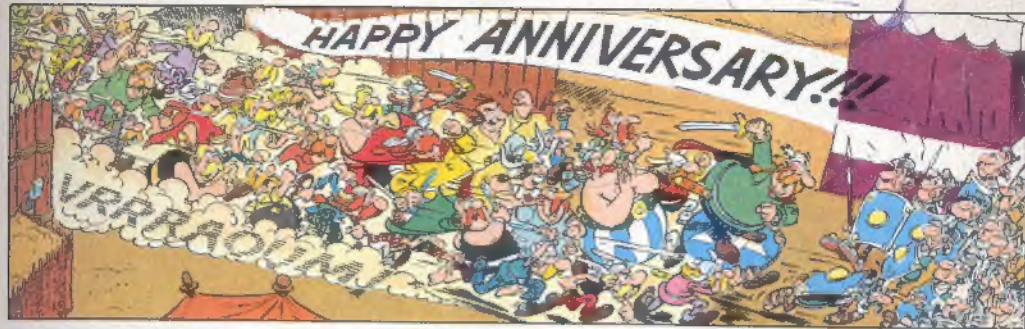
IT'S
GETTING
LATE, ROMAN.
IF I DON'T HAVE
MY SIESTA NOW,
I SHAN'T HAVE TIME
TO HAVE IT BEFORE
BEDTIME, SO LEAVE
ME ALONE OR I
MIGHT LOSE MY
TEMPER.

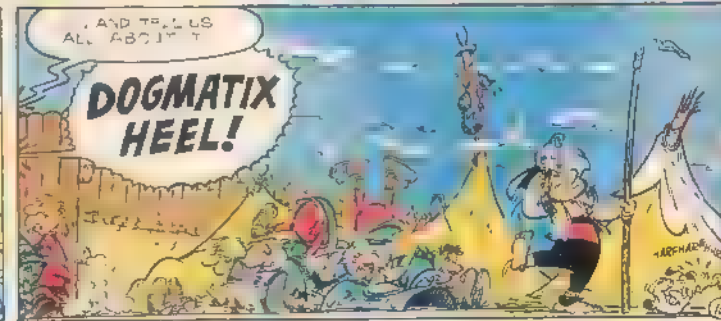
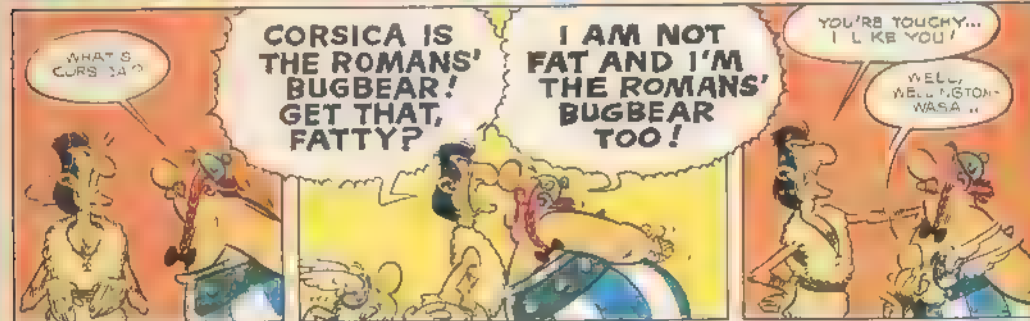
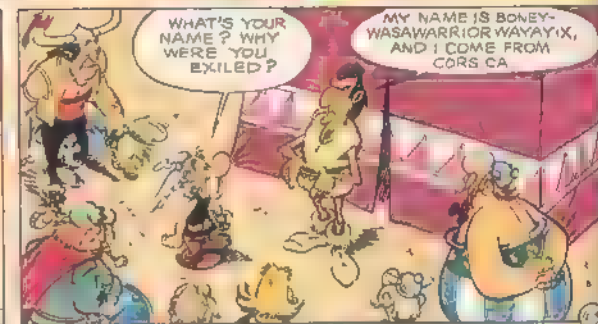
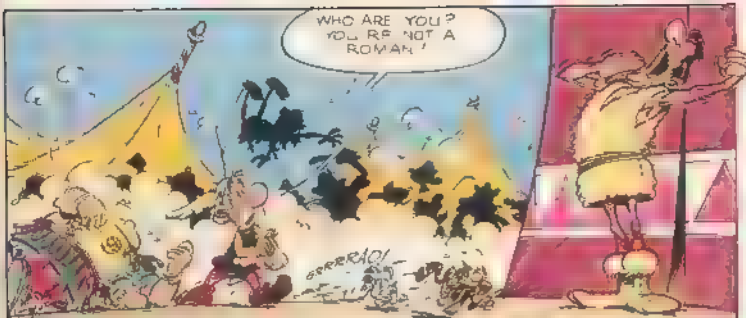


LOOK, ARE YOU OR ARE
YOU NOT GOING TO
ESCAPE?!

THEY'RE
COMING, CENTURION
HIPPODYAMUS, AND
THEY'VE GOT SOME FRIENDS
WITH THEM. WE
WOULDN'T LIKE YOU TO
MISS THE START.



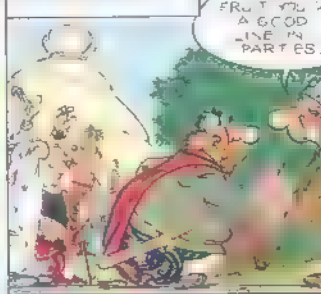




RIGHT, THAT'S SETTLED. TOMORROW MORNING ASTERIX AND OBELIX WILL LEAVE FOR GERMANY WITH YOU. WHEN THEY COME BACK THEY CAN TELL US WHAT METHODS YOU GERMANS USE, AND WHAT YOUR COUNTRY'S LIKE.



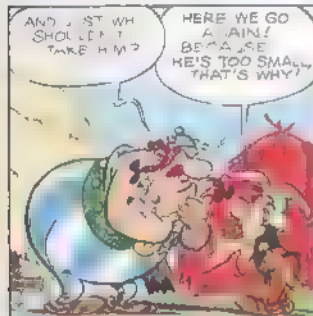
NEXT MORNING...



I SAY DID FRUIT YOU DO A GOOD LINE IN PARTES!

YES, MARVELLOUS PARTY LINE!

SUCH! BEHOLD! OUR TASTES ARE CONSERVATIVE BUT YOU'DDN'T ABOUT A YAWN!



AND I ST WH SHOULD I TAKE HIM?

HERE WE GO AGAIN! BECAUSE HE'S TOO SMALL THAT'S WHY!



WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU EVERYWHERE, BOYS. YOU'D BETTER LEAVE BEFORE THE ROMANS COME BACK. DON'T FORGET OUR CEREAL! FAREWELL! GREAT LEAVING!



GRUMBLE-GRUMBLE-GRUMBLE

GNAGNAGNA GNAGNAGNA



AND HERE'S A GOURD OF MAGIC POTION FOR YOU TOO, BONEY WAS A WARRIOR-WAYATIX. A USEFUL LITTLE GIFT AS A MEMENTO OF YOUR VISIT TO US.



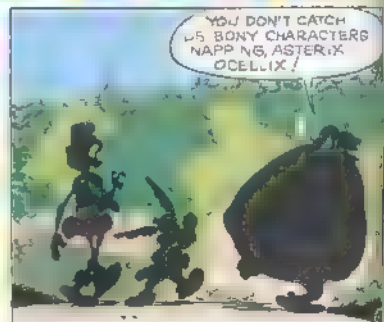
JUST A MINUTE WE GOT A USEFUL LITTLE GIFT FOR YOU TOO

A LITTLE DOG I'M VERY FOND OF DOGS



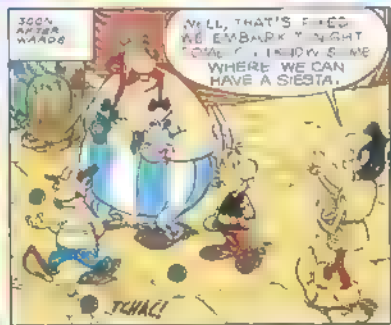
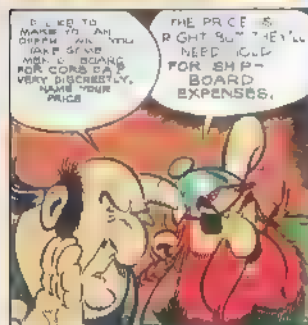
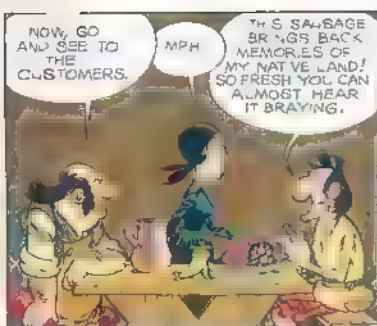
TAPAINS, SAY TRAVE, LIGHT TOO, WELL HAVE TO CARRY GOUMATIN, AND DOGMATIX I AS BEP PUTTING ON A BIT OF WEIGHT LATELY...

OH VERY CLEVER, OBELIX!



YOU DON'T CATCH US BONY CHARACTERS NAPPING ASTERIX OCELEX!





THAT NIGHT...

WHO GOES THERE?

YES CAN WITH PLEASE CAN HE COME ON BOARD?

'COURSE HE CAN

SEEMS WE'RE ON THE RIGHT COURSE

SO IT DOES

YOUR CAPTAIN'S BETWEEN DOCKS YOU CAN GO TO BED NOW WE'RE LEAVING AT ONCE

RIGHT WE HEARTS WE HE FAR ENOUGH FROM SHIP NOW IT'S FLYING OUR THREE FLEETONS

IT BE ASSESSMENT EXCELLENT

CAPIN! HELP! CAPIN!

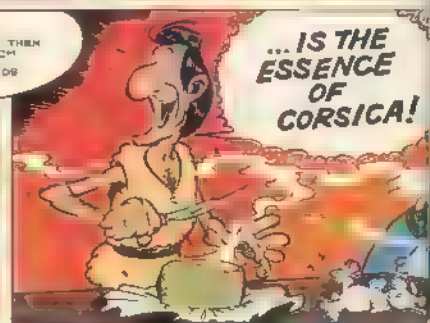
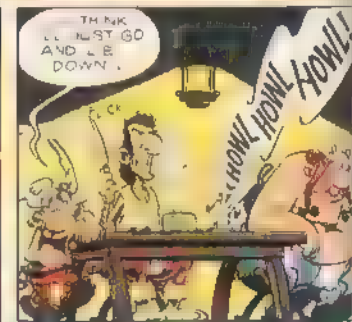
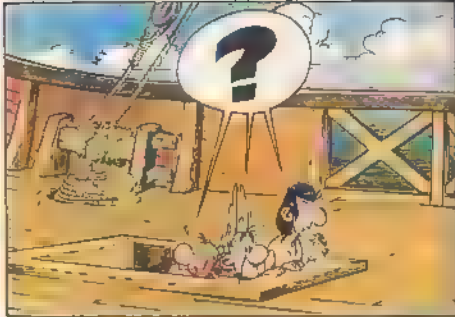
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SSSH! L... LOOK! THE GAU... GAU...

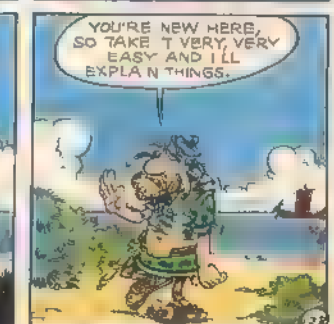
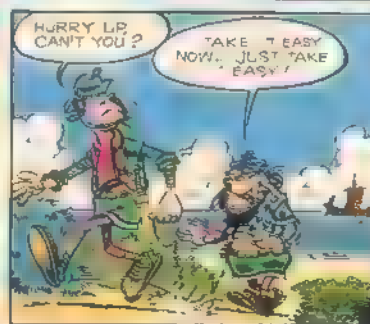
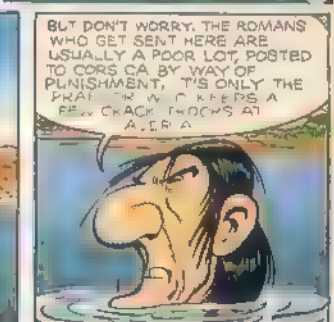
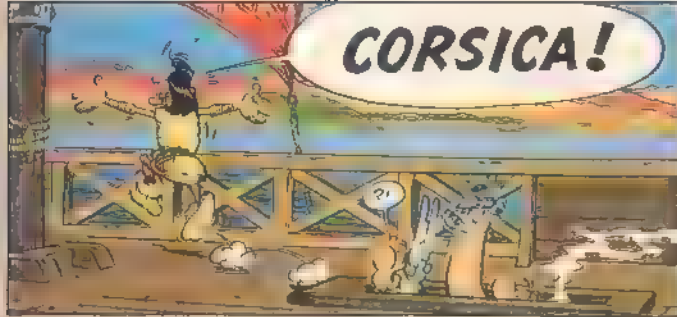
LOOK ON HIS JUST AS A MATTER OF COURSE WE'LL BE AFTER A WHILE THEY'LL BE WAKE UP THERE'S ALWAYS THAT

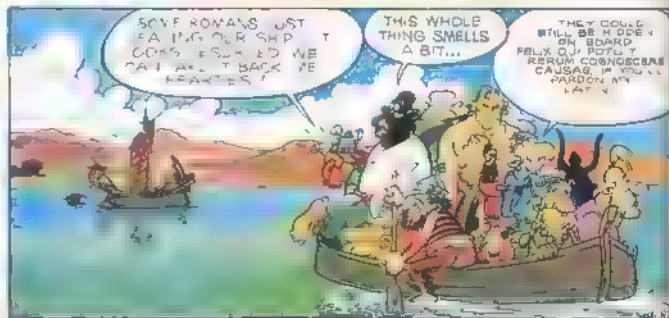
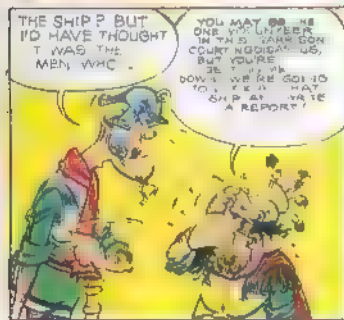
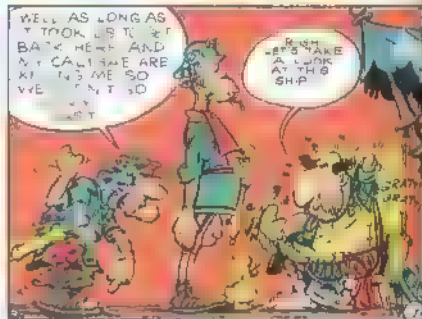
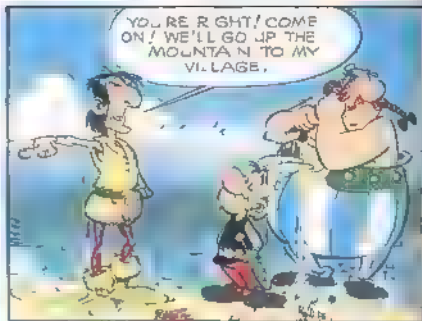
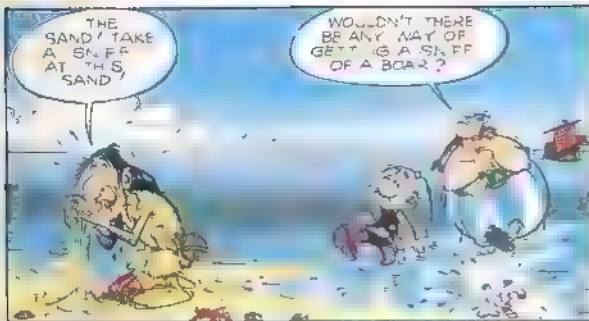
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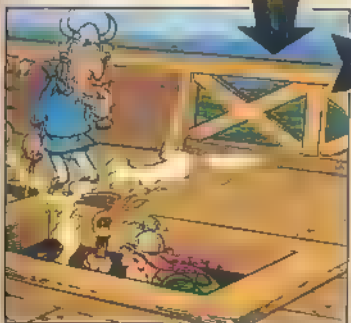
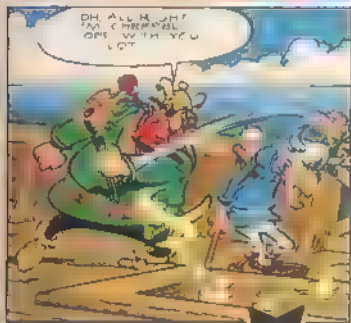
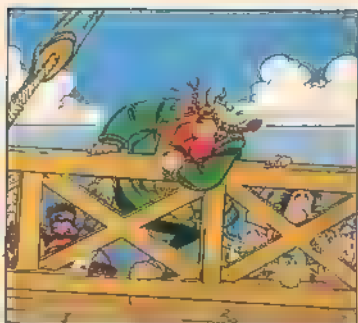
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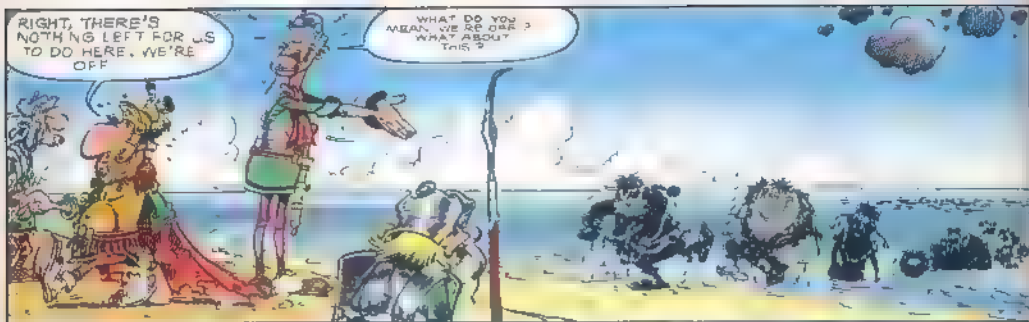


CORSICA!









RIGHT, THERE'S NOTHING LEFT FOR US TO DO HERE. WE'RE OFF

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, WE'RE OFF? WHAT ABOUT THIS?

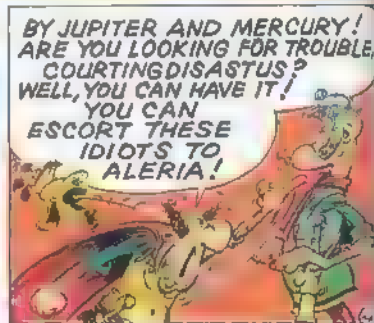


WELL, WHAT ABOUT IT? A SHIP ARRIVED FROM CHARACTERS DIVE INTO THE SEA, THE SHIP'S ABANDONED, IT BLEW UP, AND THE SET OF CHARACTERS COME SWIMMING ASHORE...



HERE COME PLACE, HARDY HAD Y A REPORT AT ALL

IS AGREE, CERTAINLY WE DUGH TO AARN PRACTOR FEAR LUG, AT ALERIA



BY JUPITER AND MERCURY! ARE YOU LOOKING FOR TROUBLE, COURTING DISASTUR? WELL, YOU CAN HAVE IT! YOU CAN ESCORT THESE IDIOTS TO ALERIA!



MEANWHILE,

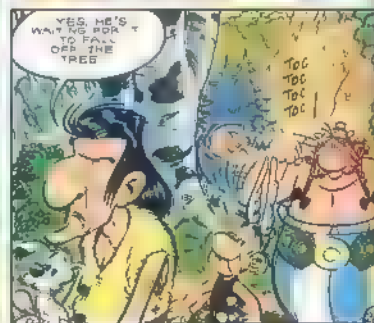
MY VILAGE IS QUITE CLOSE

IS HE FROM YOUR VILAGE?



YES THAT'S LETTING X OUR DRU D. HE'S BUSY OR HE'S NO M'S LRIOR

THAT'S THE WAY HE GATHERS MISTLETOF?



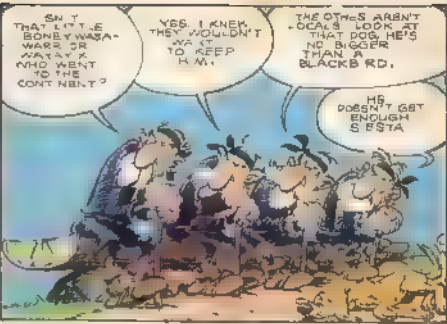
YES, HE'S WAITING FOR IT TO FALL OFF THE TREES

TOO
TOO
TOO
TOO



OH LOOK!
TWO BOARDS!

NO THERE
ARE NO
PIGS

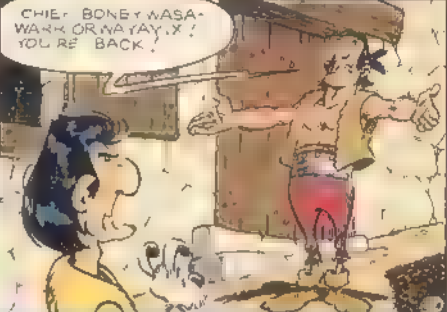


SMY
THAT LITTLE
BONEY WASA-
WARR OR
WARRA
WHO WENT
TO THE
CONTINENT?

YES I KNEW
THEY WOULDN'T
WALK TO
KEEP
H.M.

THE OTHERS ARENT
LOCALS LOOK AT
THAT DOG HE'S
NO BIGGER
THAN A
BLACKBIRD.

HE
DOESNT GET
ENOUGH
S.E.S.T.A

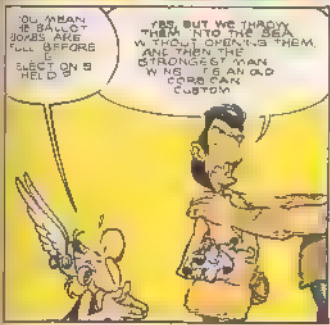


CHIEF BONEY WASA-
WARR OR MAYAYAY!
YOU'RE BACK!



PLEASED TO
SEE YOU
AFTER X

TO THINK WE WERE
JUST ABOUT TO
HOLD ELECTIONS
FOR A NEW CHIEF.
THE BALLOT BOXES
ARE ALREADY
FULL



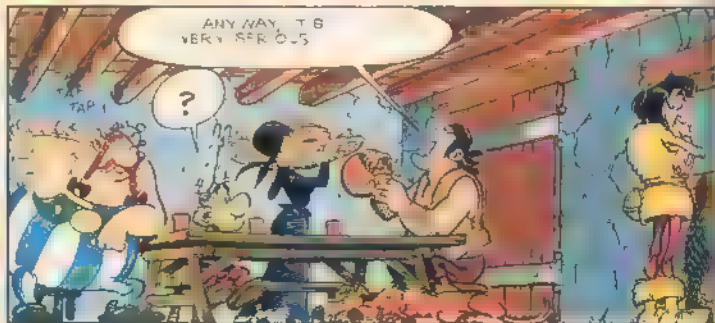
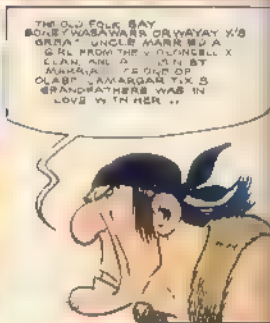
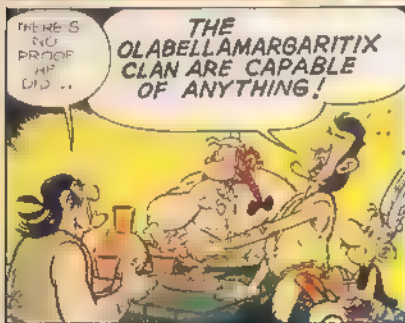
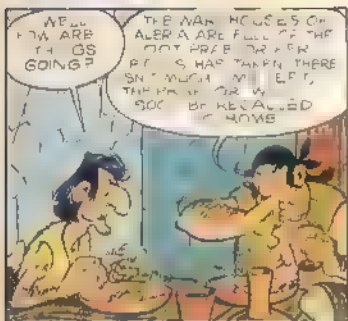
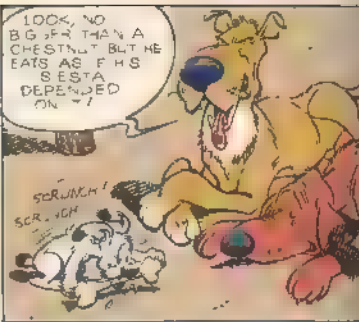
YOU MEAN
THE BALLOT
BOXES ARE
FULL BEFORE
ELECTIONS
ARE HELD?

YES BUT WE THREW
THEM INTO THE SEA
WITHOUT OPENING THEM.
AND THEN THE
CHIEF GETS MAN-
YING IS AN OLD
CORE CAN
CUSTOM



WELL BE
AND L. MAYAY
TOP L. CHIEF
TO SEE HOW WE
DEAL WITH THE
REVENUES

WHY NOT
COME AND HAVE
SOME WILD
P.G. AT MY
PLACE?



A.E.R.A...

A LEGIONARY O
SEE YOU O PRAETOR
AND I R HE
SAYS HE HAS
MUST START
IN ROMA ON

SHOW
HIM N.



AVE, PRAETOR!
THIS MAN WANTS
TO SPEAK TO YOU A
-AP-

NO MUMM!
MAY HONEST
SAY OR WORK O3 THE
MASS. A CRISCA
CROSS AC



TOOK THREE PASSENGERS ON
BOARD AND BE RE THEY COATPRAKEBI
THEY BLEW UP ANY SHIP WITH AN
OFFICIAL. BUT HE'LL JUMP
OF A CHEESE

**A
CORSICAN
CHEESE?**



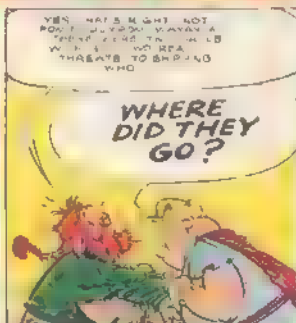
ANY WAY ONE
OF THE
PASSENGERS WAS
ONE AND THEY
CALLED HIM
BUT HE WAS A WARRIOR
WONT DPLYAON

WAYAYIX?!

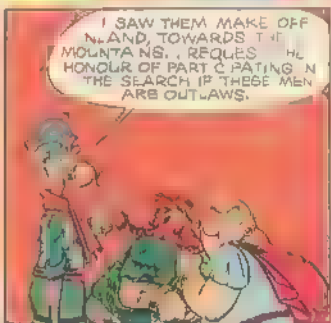


YES, THATS RIGHT NOT
POSSIBLE YOU MAY A
THAT FIRST THE HUB
W H SAYS NO REA
THREATS TO BRING
WHO

**WHERE
DID THEY
GO?**



I SAW THEM MAKE OFF
LAND, TOWARDS THE
MOUNTAINS. REQUES
THE
HONOUR OF PART C PATING N
THE SEARCH IF THESE MEN
ARE OUTLAWS.



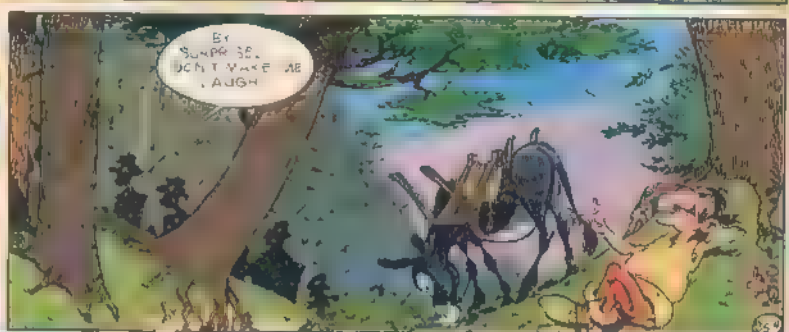
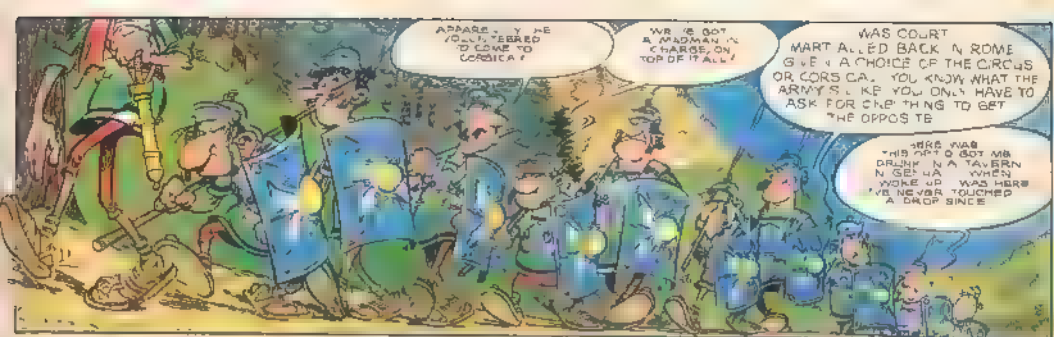
C LANS BY EYJASA-
MAY TUNIC O3 THE
WONET BE A S. HE S
AFTER CAESARS JAMES.
DEY ED H. A. HE MUST
CAPTURE HIM!



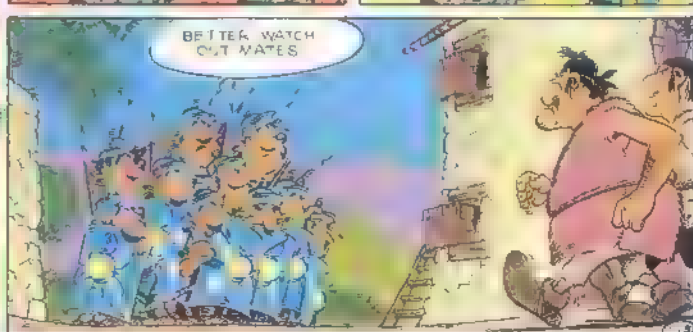
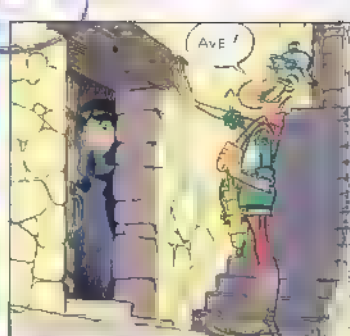
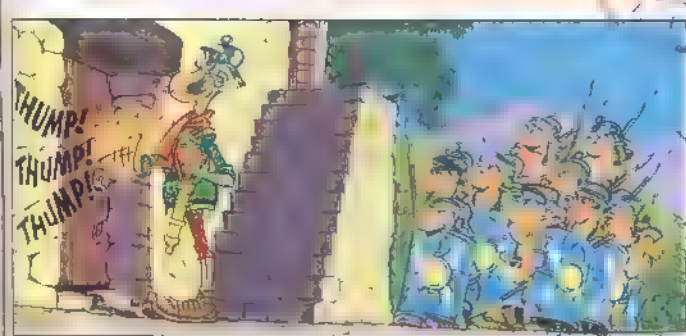
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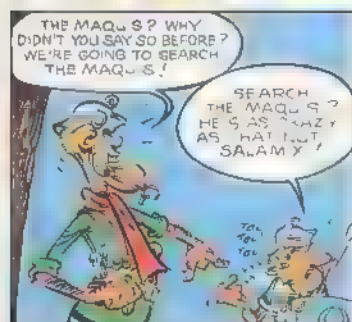
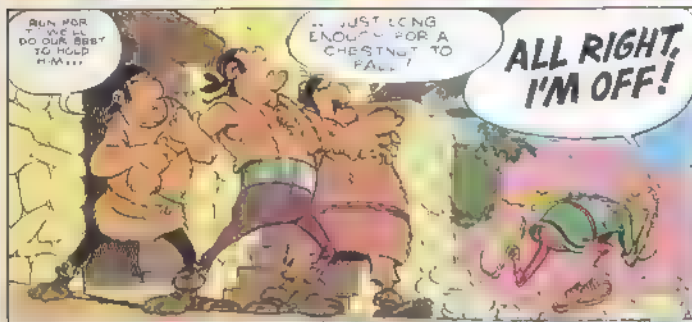
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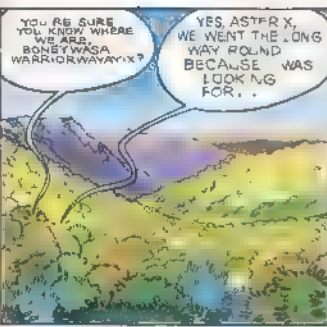






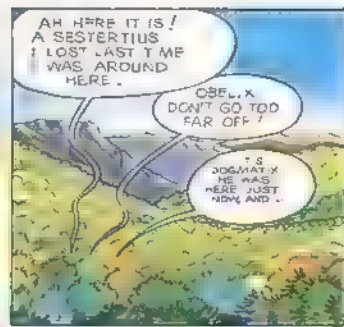






YOU'RE SURE
YOU KNOW WHERE
WE ARE,
BONEYWASA
WARRIORWAYAYIX?

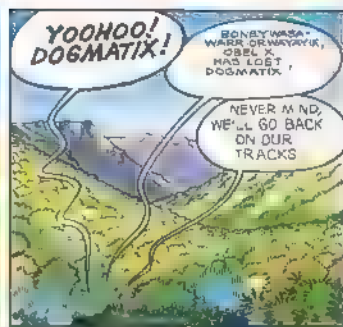
YES, ASTERIX,
WE WENT THE LONG
WAY ROUND
BECAUSE WAS
LOOKING
FOR...



AH HERE IT IS!
A SESTERTIUS!
I LOST LAST TIME
I WAS AROUND
HERE.

OBELIX
DON'T GO TOO
FAR OFF!

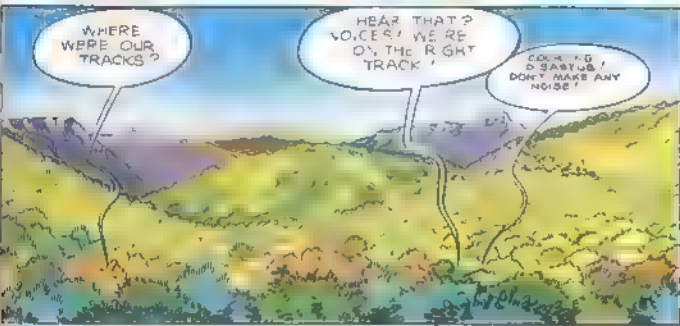
T.S.
DOGMATIX
HE WAS
HERE JUST
NOW, AND...



**YOOHOO!
DOGMATIX!**

BONEYWASA-
WARRIORWAYAYIX,
OBELIX
HAS LOST
DOGMATIX!

NEVER MIND,
WE'LL GO BACK
ON OUR
TRACKS



WHERE
WERE OUR
TRACKS?

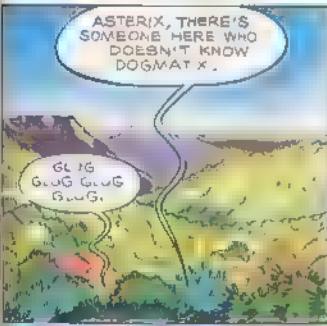
HEAR THAT?
VOICES! WE'RE
ON THE RIGHT
TRACK!

LOOK TO
DOGMATIX!
DON'T MAKE ANY
NOISE!



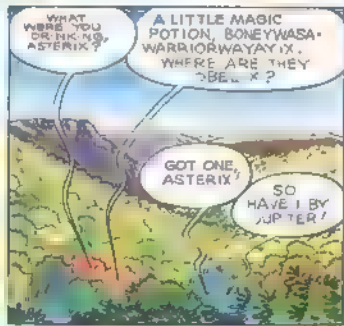
HAVE YOU SEEN
DOGMATIX?

WHO'S
DOGMATIX?



ASTERIX, THERE'S
SOMEONE HERE WHO
DOESN'T KNOW
DOGMATIX.

GLUG
GLUG GLUG
GLUG.



WHAT
WERE YOU
DRINKING,
ASTERIX?

A LITTLE MAGIC
POTION, BONEYWASA-
WARRIORWAYAYIX.
WHERE ARE THEY
GOING TO?

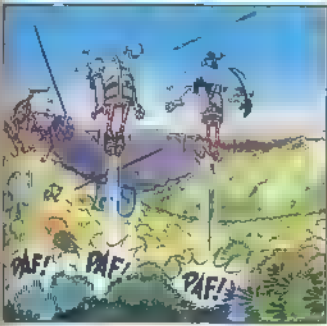
GOT ONE,
ASTERIX!

SO
HAVE I BY
JUPITER!

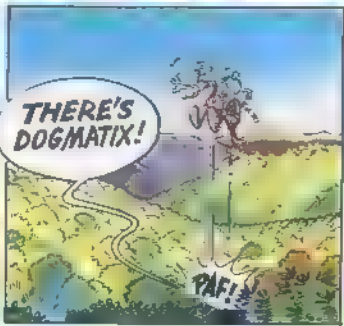


ARE THERE
ANY OTHERS
ABOUT?

PAF!

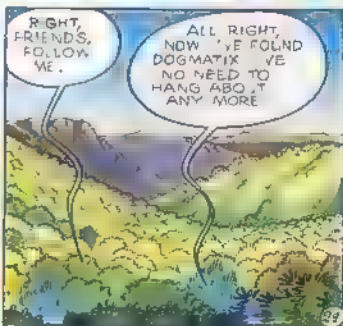


PAF! PAF! PAF!



**THERE'S
DOGMATIX!**

PAF!



RIGHT,
FRIENDS,
FOLLOW
ME.

ALL RIGHT,
NOW YOU'VE FOUND
DOGMATIX. YOU
NO NEED TO
HANG ABOUT
ANY MORE

WE'RE GOING BACK TO MAKE OUR REPORT TO PRAETOR PERFIDIUS, AND THEN WE'LL BE BACK IN FORCE TO PICK UP THESE BANDITS!

YOU IDIOT, WE'VE GOT FIND OUT HOW TO GET BACK FIRST!

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YOU IDIOT, WE'VE GOT FIND OUT HOW TO GET BACK FIRST!

LET'S HOLD HANDS, BOYS.

BY JUPITER, THIS PLACE IS SWARMING WITH P-GS!

A ROMAN ROAD!
OH, FOR A ROMAN ROAD!

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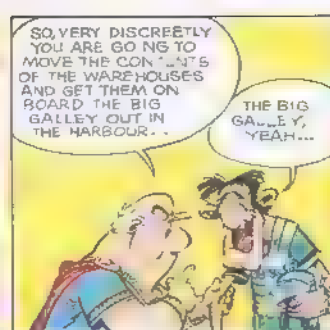
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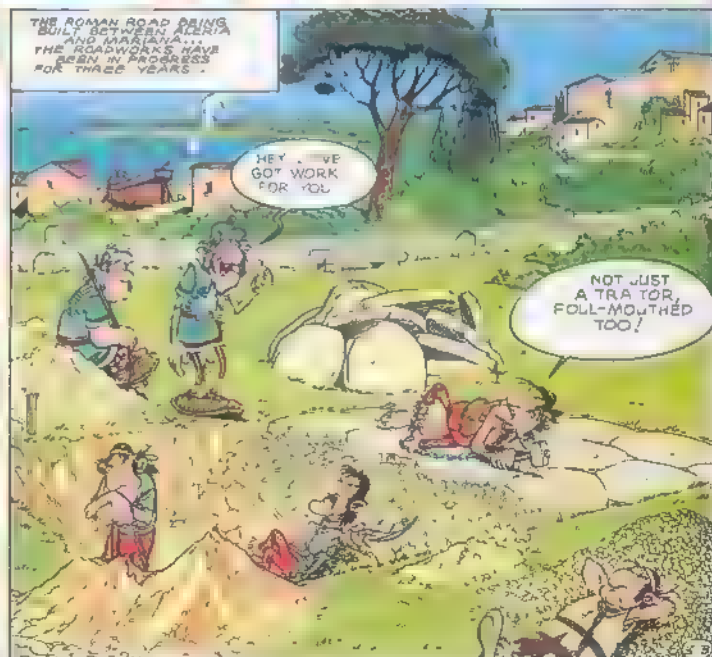
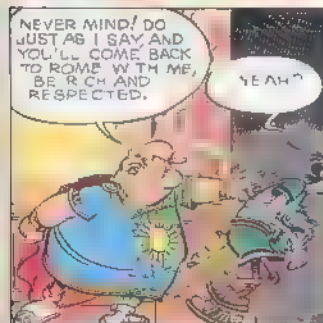
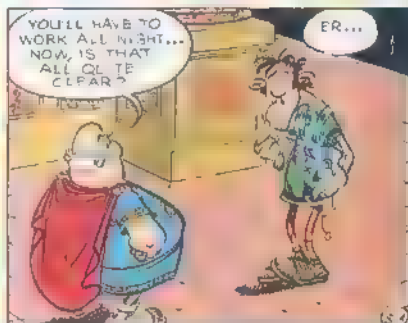
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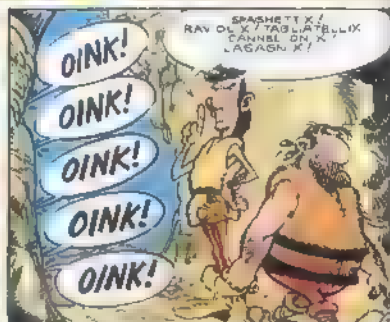
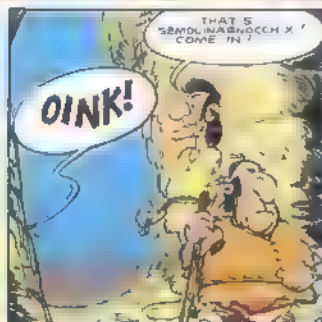
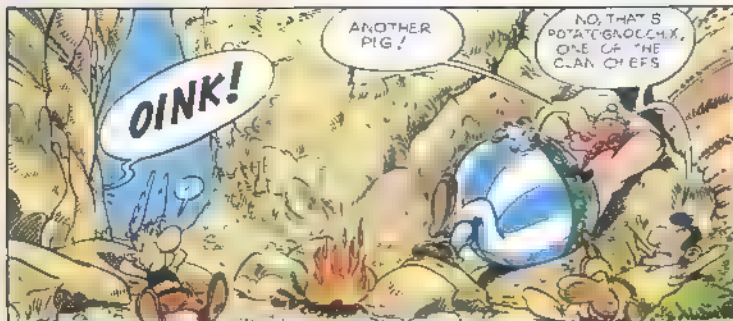
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A cartoon illustration of a man with a large nose and wide eyes, shouting with his mouth open. He is holding a white cup. A speech bubble above him says "YEAH SURE!". The background is a simple yellow gradient.



THE BIG
GALLERY,
YEAH..





THAT NIGHT, ON BOARD A GALLEY IN THE PORT OF ALERIA...

...AND ONCE THE SHIP IS LOADED UP, YOU WILL SAIL HER TO ROME. SHALL BE ON BOARD WITH SALAMIX, WE'LL BE GETTING RID OF HIM DURING THE VOYAGE

IT ALL HAS TO BE DONE TONIGHT... THE GARRISON MUSTN'T KNOW I'M ABANDONING THEM. THEY WILL FIGHT, AND THUS COVER MY ESCAPE...

AND AFTERWARDS YOU'LL GIVE US THE SHIP AND SET US FREE, THAT'S A PROMISE?

WHAT REASON CAN YOU HAVE TO DOUBT MY GOOD FAITH?

MEANWHILE...

RIGHT, GET WORKING. YOU MUST CARRY ALL THIS ON BOARD THE GALLEY.

TWENTY MINUTES LATER.

WHERE DO I PUT THIS?

AT THIS RATE IT'S GOING TO TAKE YEARS! AND WE HAVE TO STOP WORK AT DAYBREAK BECAUSE OF THE GARRISON!

THERE'S NO HURRY, BOYS, WE'VE GOT YEARS TO FINISH THE JOB AND WE DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING DURING THE DAY.

I'VE GOT A COUSIN WHO HAD A JOB LIKE THAT IN THE CIVIL SERVICE IN MAGGELA

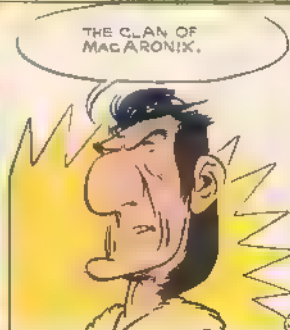
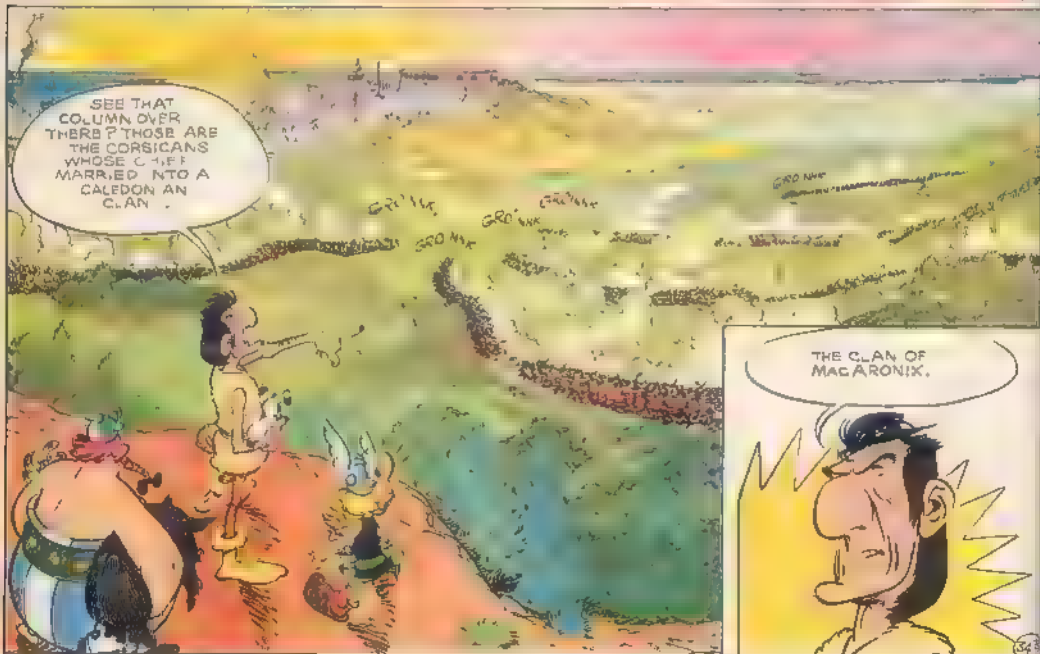
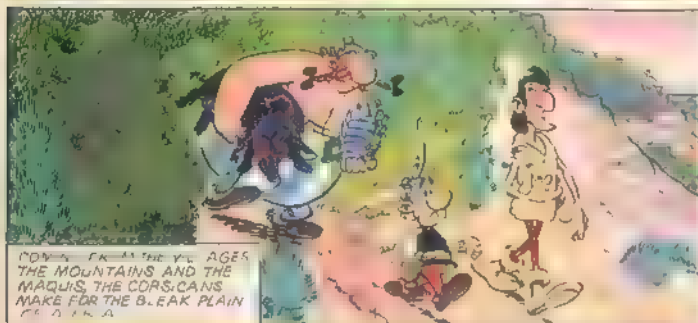
AT DAYBREAK...

LOOKS LIKE
THE ROMANS
WILL FIND OUR
ADAPTATION
NUTS TO
CRACK

THAT'S A HOARY
OLD CORSIKIAN
TRICK! BUT
GO AND SEE HOW
THE YOUNG LADS
CORE. THEY
SUPPOSE THEY'RE
UP TO MUCH.

SHALL WE
TAKE THE
TREE
TRUNK?

YOU'RE RIGHT!
STAY IN A
HIDE. FOR THE
YOUNG
DO NOT
DO FOR US
WHEN WE
GET THERE





HUL-O, SALAMIX GOING ON DUTY?

YEH - YEH - YEH WORKING ALL NIGHT



YOU'VE BEEN WORKING ALL NIGHT?

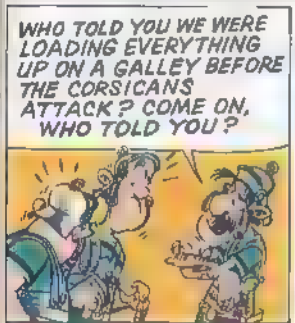
WHAT ABOUT?

SAID THE FLEET OR THE OLD IS GOING TO TELL ANYONE WE WERE C TAKING THE WARE HOUSES.

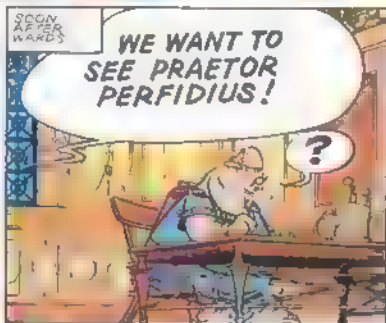


WHAT WAS THAT? THE PRAETOR'S HAVING THE WAREHOUSES CLEARED... IN SECRET?

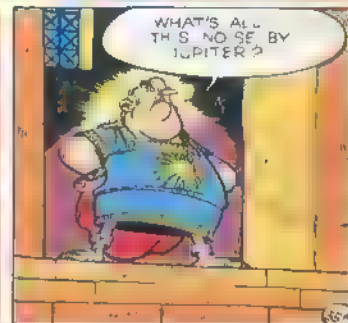
YOU THINK HE INTENDS TO ESCAPE AND LEAVE US HERE?



WHO TOLD YOU WE WERE LOADING EVERYTHING UP ON A GALLEY BEFORE THE CORSICANS ATTACK? COME ON, WHO TOLD YOU?



WE WANT TO SEE PRAETOR PERFIDIUS!



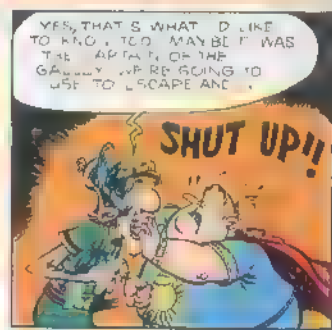
WHAT'S ALL THIS NOISE BY JUPITER?



YOU'RE CLEARING THE WAREHOUSES!

YOU'RE GOING TO LEAVE US TO FACE THE CORSICANS!

THE CORSICANS ARE GOING TO ATTACK!



YES, THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO KNOW, TOO. MAYBE IT WAS THE ADVICE OF THE GALLEY WE'RE GOING TO USE TO ESCAPE AND...

SHUT UP!!



BOYS BOYS, THE CORSICANS AREN'T GOING TO ATTACK YOU MUSTN'T BELIEVE BIRDS OF ILL OMEN!



AT THE GATES OF A.P.A.

THIS'LL DO US BETTER.

**RAISE THE ALARM!
RAISE THE ALARM!
CORSICANS! MASSES OF
CORSICANS OUTSIDE
THE TOWN!**



WE'LL WELL!
AND I THOUGHT
THE CORSCANS
WEREN'T
GOING TO
ATTACK?

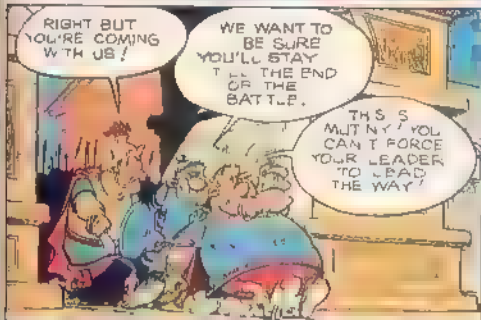
**WE'LL DISCUSS
ALL THAT LATER!
WE MUST MAKE A
SORTIE OR THEY'LL
FORCE THEIR
WAY IN!**



RIGHT BUT
YOU'RE COMING
WITH US!

WE WANT TO
BE SURE
YOU'LL STAY
TILL THE END
OF THE
BATTLE.

THIS S
MUTINY! YOU
CAN'T FORCE
YOUR LEADER
TO LEAD
THE WAY!



AH!
ABOUT
ME TOO

THESE THINGS
NEVER START
PUNCTUALLY.

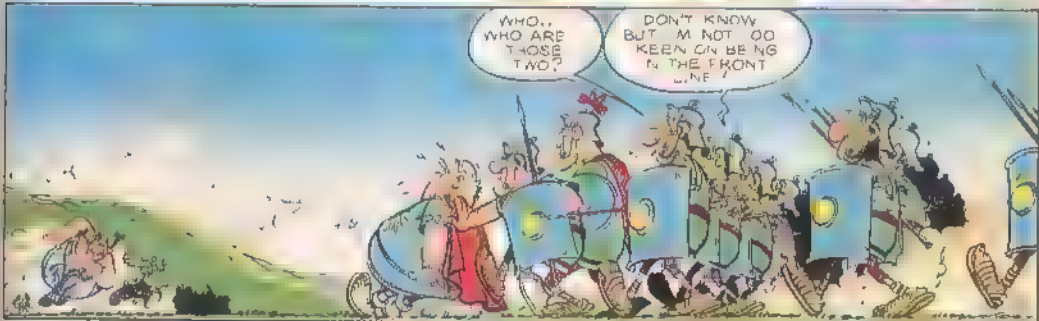
REMEMBER
THE DAYS
WHEN I WAS
A
CONTINUOUS
PERFORMANCE

DIDN'T
KNOW THE
PRAETOR
WAS IN THE
ACT TOO



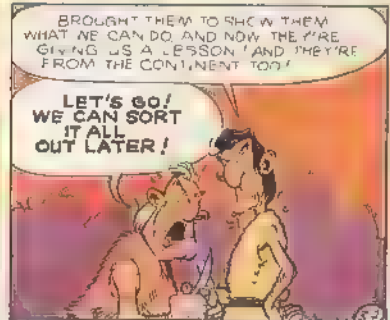
WHO...
WHO ARE
THOSE
TWO?

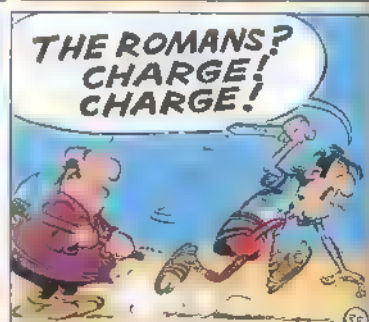
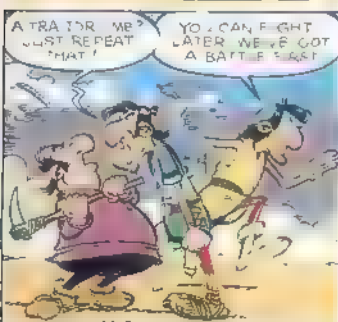
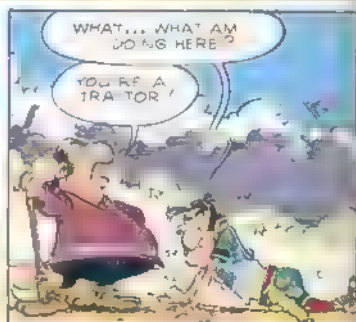
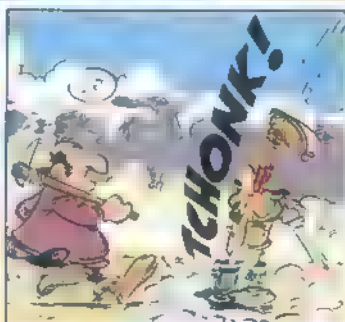
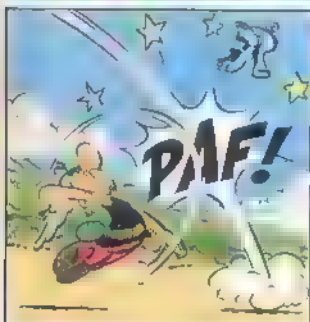
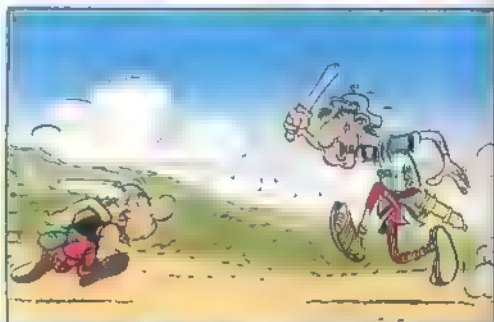
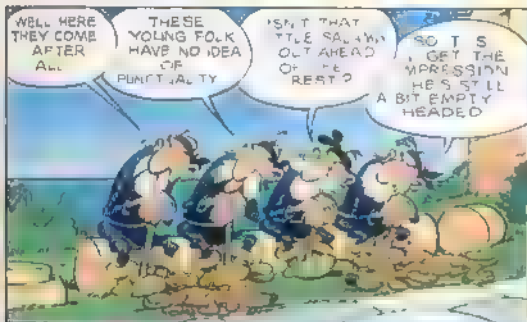
DON'T KNOW
BUT M NOT OO
KEEN ON BEING
IN THE FRONT
LINE

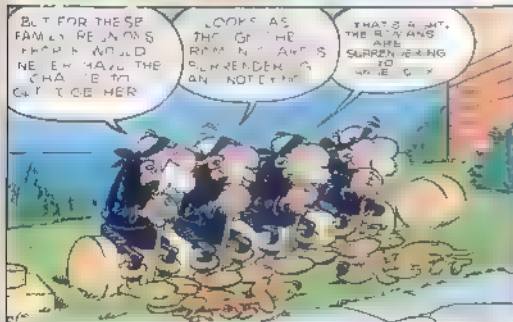
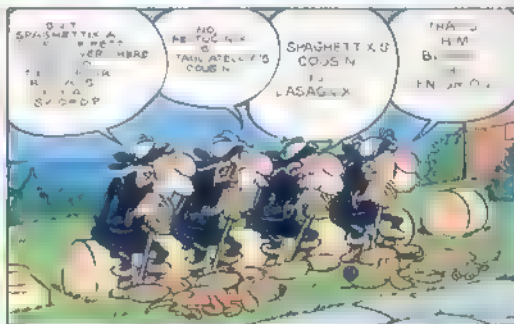
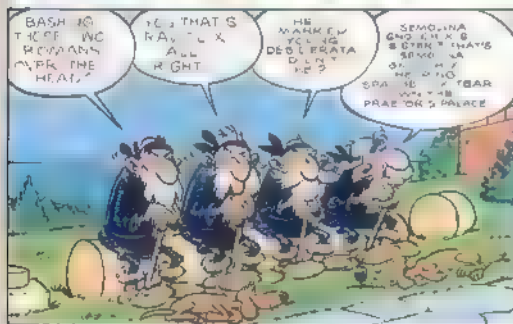
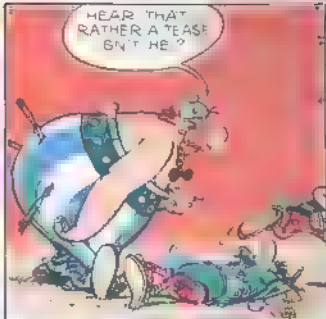
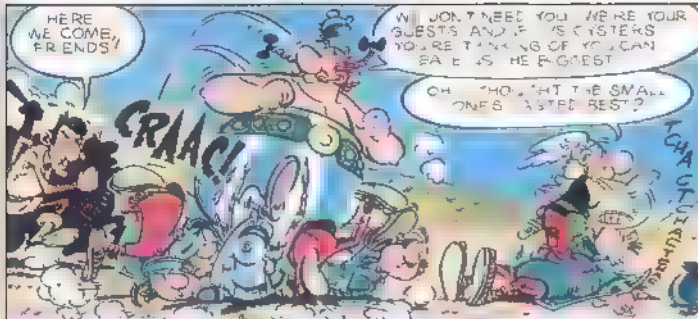


BROUGHT THEM TO SHOW THEM
WHAT WE CAN DO AND NOW THEY'RE
GIVING US A LESSON AND THEY'RE
FROM THE CONTINENT TOO!

**LET'S GO!
WE CAN SORT
IT ALL
OUT LATER!**



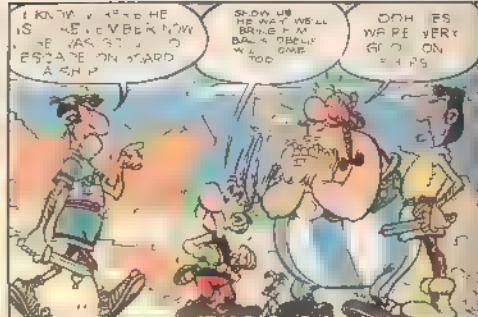






LOST
SOMETHING?

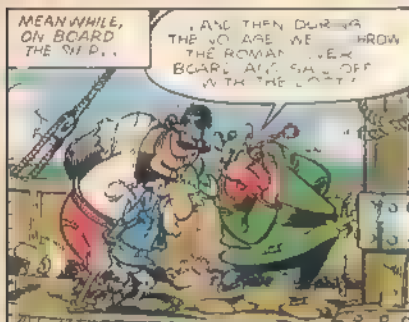
PRÆTOR
PERFIDUS I'VE GOT
A WORD OR SO
TO SAY TO YOU



I KNOW WHERE HE
IS. HE'LL BE BACK NOW
HE WAS GOING TO
ESCAPE ON BOARD
A SHIP

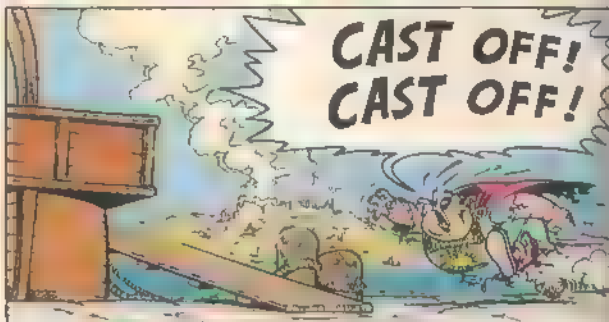
SHOW US
THE WAY WE'LL
BRING IT IN
BUT I DON'T
WANT TO
TOD

OOH YES
WE'RE VERY
GOOD ON
S.A.P.S



MEANWHILE,
ON BOARD
THE SHIP...

AND THEN DURING
THE VOYAGE WE
THE ROMAN
BOARD AND SAILED OFF
WITH THE LAST

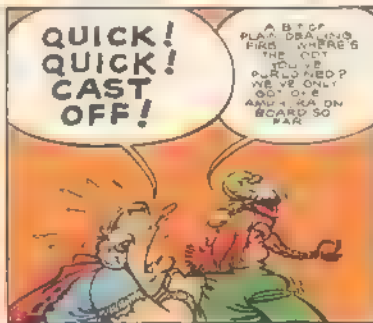


**CAST OFF!
CAST OFF!**



HEY! OF A
SUTCH! AT
WAY WE CAST
OFF?

GO
SLOW...



**QUICK!
QUICK!
CAST
OFF!**

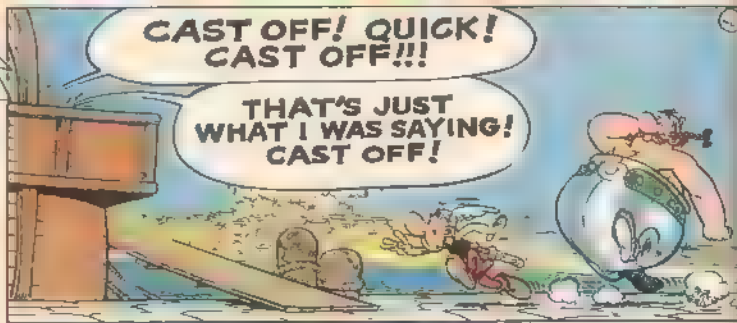
A BIG
PLAN DRAWING
FIRST WHERE'S
THE DOT
YOU
WOUNDED
WE'VE ONLY
GOING TO
AND A MAN ON
BOARD SO
WAR



**CAP'N!
LOOK!**



**THE GAU...
THE GAUGAU...**



**CAST OFF! QUICK!
CAST OFF!!!**

**THAT'S JUST
WHAT I WAS SAYING!
CAST OFF!**

AFTER A BRIEF
BUT VIOLENT
EPISODE...

WELL,
DO WE CAST
OFF?

NO POINT
CASTING PEARLS
BEFORE SWINE
NOW...

IS THAT
MEANT TO HAVE
US IN STITCHES?
EACH IN WITH
DUE RESPECT, YOU'RE
A SILLY
KNIT.



PRETOR, WE WILL
ALLOW YOU AND YOUR
MEN TO LIVE, SO THAT
YOU CAN TELL
CAESAR WHAT YOU
HAVE SEEN!

WE SHALL RECOVER ALL
YOU HAVE STOLEN FROM
YOUR WAREHOUSES, AND
LET THAT BE A LESSON TO
YOUR MASTER!

JULIUS
CAESAR WILL
HAVE HIS
REVENGE!

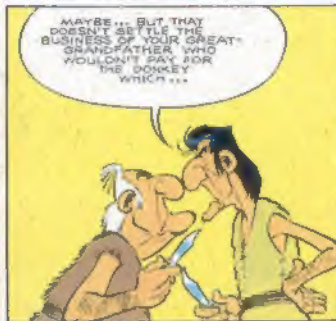
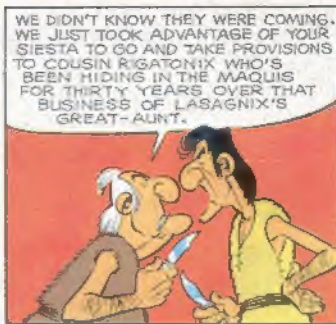
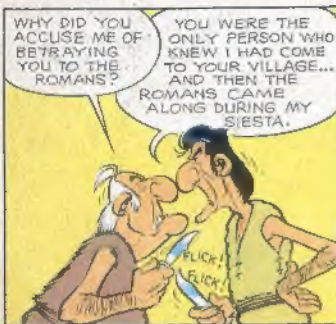
TELL CAESAR THAT, NO
MATTER WHAT HIS AMBITIONS,
HE WILL NEVER
RULE US...

THE PEOPLE OF CORSICA
WILL NEVER ACCEPT AN
EMPEROR UNLESS HE
IS A CORSICAN
HIMSELF! GO!

THAT'S
RIGHT!
OINK!
THREE
CHEERS!

NOW HOW ABOUT A
FEW EXPLANATIONS,
BONEY WAS A HARDORWAYATIX?

YES,
OLABELLA-
MARGARITIX!





BEATING THE ROMANS IS NOTHING, BUT SETTLING A VENDETTA BETWEEN TWO CLANS IS AN AMAZING FEAT!

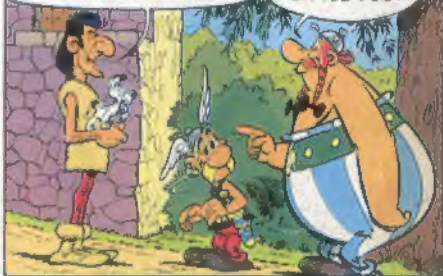


SUCH POINTLESS FEUDS WILL NEVER EXIST IN CORSICA AGAIN!



WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE AS A PRESENT FROM CORSICA?

THAT DEAR LITTLE DOG...



WE AND COUSIN LASAGNIX WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHERE YOUR COUSIN RISATONIX IS. WE WANT A WORD WITH HIM.

I'M NOT SAYING, SPAGHETTIX.

YOU'LL BE SORRY FOR THIS, OLABELLA-MARGARITIX.



WE MAY NOTE IN PASSING THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE RATHER COMPLICATED MATTER, ONE OF THE DESCENDANTS OF THE OLABELLA-MARGARITIX CLAN WAS FOUND LAST YEAR BY THE POLICE, HIDING IN THE MAQUIS BEHIND A MOTEL.



**HERE THEY
COME! THEY'RE
BACK!**



WELL, BOYS,
WAS IT NICE
IN CORSICA?



IT WAS FINE,
NICE PLACE THEY'VE
GOT THERE. MOUNTAINS,
FORESTS, MOUNTAIN
STREAMS, MAQUIS...

AND SOME
INTERESTING ROMAN
REMAINS, DATING
FROM THE TIME OF
OUR VISIT.



AND THERE WERE
SOME VERY NICE PIGS,
AND DOGMATIX
MADE LOTS OF
FRIENDS...



DIDN'T YOU,
DOGMATIX?



AS USUAL, OUR FRIENDS' RETURN
IS THE EXCUSE FOR A BANQUET
HELD UNDER THE STARS...AND WE
MAY NOTE THAT EACH OF THEIR
JOURNEYS ENRICHES THE
TRAVELLERS' EXPERIENCE,
SINCE THEY ADOPT SOME
OF THE MORE PLEASANT
CUSTOMS OF THE COUNTRIES
THEY HAVE VISITED.



**THE
END**

LIPERZO -
GOSCHNYP